NOVATION COMPANIES, INC. Form 8-K January 08, 2016

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 January 6, 2016 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

NOVATION COMPANIES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland000-2289774-2830661(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)(Commission File Number)(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)2114 Central Street, Suite 600, Kansas City, MO 64108
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
(816) 237-7000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)
Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)74-2830661
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 6, 2016, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Novation Companies, Inc. (the "Company") appointed Charles M. Gillman as a director of the Company. Mr. Gillman also was appointed to serve on the Board's newly-formed Investment Committee. In connection with Mr. Gillman's appointment, he was awarded 96,154 shares of restricted stock under the Company's 2015 Incentive Stock Plan as a pro-rated portion of the annual retainer paid to each non-employee director, which shares will vest on August 10, 2016.

Biographical Information

Mr. Gillman is the head of the IDWR Multi-Family Office, a position he has held since 2013. The IDWR employs a team of analysts with expertise in finding publicly traded companies that require operational enhancement and an improvement in corporate capital allocation. From 2001 to 2013, Mr. Gillman was a portfolio manager of certain family office investment portfolios at Nadel and Gussman, LLC. Prior to his employment at Nadel and Gussman, Mr. Gillman worked in the investment industry and as a strategic management consultant at McKinsey & Company, where he gained experience designing operational turnarounds of U.S. and international companies.

Mr. Gillman currently serves on the Board of Directors of two other publicly-traded companies: Hooper Holmes, Inc. (NYSE MKT: HH) and Digirad Corporation (NASDAQ: DRAD), both of which provide various healthcare-related services. Mr. Gillman is a Summa Cum Laude graduate of the Wharton School and a Director of the Penn Club of New York which serves as the Manhattan home of the Wharton and Penn alumni community.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

NOVATION COMPANIES, INC.

DATE: January 8, 2016

/s/ Rodney E. Schwatken Rodney E. Schwatken Chief Executive Officer